

**Amendment No. 1 to SB2580**

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 2580**

**House Bill No. 2465\***

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-401, is amended by adding the following new subsection (f):

(f)

(1) For purposes of this section, “adversely affect the child’s health and welfare” shall include, but not be limited to, the natural effects of starvation or dehydration.

(2) When proving that the defendant’s conduct adversely affected the child’s health and welfare, the state may introduce evidence as to the negative short-term or long-term effects of starvation or dehydration on human development to show that the conduct resulted in adversely affecting the child’s health. Such evidence of the short-term or long-term effects of starvation or dehydration is sufficient to show that the conduct resulted in adversely affecting the child’s health and welfare.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.